CHAPTER 2—DEVELOPMENT OF FDA-AP-PROVED DRUGS USING CANNABIDIOL AND MARIHUANA

SEC. 25141. MEDICAL RESEARCH ON CANNABIDIOL.

Notwithstanding any provision of the Controlled Substances Act (21 U.S.C. 801 et seq.), the Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act (20 U.S.C. 7101 et seq.), chapter 81 of title 41, United States Code, or any other Federal law, an appropriately registered covered institution of higher education, a practitioner, or a manufacturer may manufacture, distribute, dispense, or possess marihuana or cannabidiol if the marihuana or cannabidiol is manufactured, distributed, dispensed, or possessed, respectively, for purposes of medical research for drug development or subsequent commercial production in accordance with section 25142.

SEC. 25142. REGISTRATION FOR THE COMMER-CIAL PRODUCTION AND DISTRIBU-TION OF FOOD AND DRUG ADMINIS-TRATION-APPROVED DRUGS.

The Attorney General shall register an applicant to manufacture or distribute cannabidiol or marihuana for the purpose of commercial production of a drug containing or derived from marihuana that is approved by the Secretary of Health and Human Services under section 505 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 355), in accordance with the applicable requirements under subsection (a) or (b) of section 303 of the Controlled Substances Act (21 U.S.C. 823).

SEC. 25143. IMPORTATION OF CANNABIDIOL FOR RESEARCH PURPOSES.

The Controlled Substances Import and Export Act (21 U.S.C. 951 et seq.) is amended—(1) in section 1002(a) (21 U.S.C. 952(a))—

- (A) in paragraph (1), by striking "and" at the and:
- the end;
 (B) in paragraph (2)(C), by inserting "and" after "uses,"; and
- (C) inserting before the undesignated matter following paragraph (2)(C) the following:
- "(3) such amounts of marihuana or cannabidiol (as defined in section 25102 of the Cannabidiol and Marihuana Research Expansion Act) as are—
- "(A) approved for medical research for drug development (as such terms are defined in section 25102 of the Cannabidiol and Marihuana Research Expansion Act), or
- "(B) necessary for registered manufacturers to manufacture drugs containing marihuana or cannabidiol that have been approved for use by the Commissioner of Food and Drugs under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 301 et seq.),"; and
- (2) in section 1007 (21 U.S.C. 957), by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:
- "(a)(1) Except as provided in paragraph (2), no person may—
- "(A) import into the customs territory of the United States from any place outside thereof (but within the United States), or import into the United States from any place outside thereof, any controlled substance or list I chemical, or
- "(B) export from the United States any controlled substance or list I chemical,
- unless there is in effect with respect to such person a registration issued by the Attorney General under section 1008, or unless such person is exempt from registration under subsection (b).
- "(2) Paragraph (1) shall not apply to the import or export of marihuana or cannabidiol (as defined in section 25102 of the Cannabidiol and Marihuana Research Expansion Act) that has been approved for—
- "(A) medical research for drug development authorized under section 25141 of the Cannabidiol and Marihuana Research Expansion Act; or

"(B) use by registered manufacturers to manufacture drugs containing marihuana or cannabidiol that have been approved for use by the Commissioner of Food and Drugs under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 301 et seq.).".

CHAPTER 3—DOCTOR-PATIENT RELATIONSHIP

SEC. 25161. DOCTOR-PATIENT RELATIONSHIP.

It shall not be a violation of the Controlled Substances Act (21 U.S.C. 801 et seq.) for a State-licensed physician to discuss—

- (1) the currently known potential harms and benefits of marihuana derivatives, including cannabidiol, as a treatment with the legal guardian of the patient of the physician if the patient is a child; or
- (2) the currently known potential harms and benefits of marihuana and marihuana derivatives, including cannabidiol, as a treatment with the patient or the legal guardian of the patient of the physician if the patient is a legal adult.

CHAPTER 4—FEDERAL RESEARCH SEC. 25181. FEDERAL RESEARCH.

- (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Health and Human Services, in coordination with the Director of the National Institutes of Health and the heads of other relevant Federal agencies, shall submit to the Caucus on International Narcotics Control, the Committee on the Judiciary, and the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions of the Senate and the Committee on Energy and Commerce and the Committee on the Judiciary of the House of Representatives a report on—
- (1) the potential therapeutic effects of cannabidiol or marihuana on serious medical conditions, including intractable epilepsy;
- (2) the potential effects of marihuana, including—
- (A) the effect of increasing delta-9tetrahydrocannabinol levels on the human body and developing adolescent brains; and
- (B) the effect of various delta-9tetrahydrocannabinol levels on cognitive abilities, such as those that are required to operate motor vehicles or other heavy equipment: and
- (3) the barriers associated with researching marihuana or cannabidiol in States that have legalized the use of such substances, which shall include—
- (A) recommendations as to how such barriers might be overcome, including whether public-private partnerships or Federal-State research partnerships may or should be implemented to provide researchers with access to additional strains of marihuana and cannabidiol; and
- (B) recommendations as to what safeguards must be in place to verify—
- (i) the levels of tetrahydrocannabinol, cannabidiol, or other cannabinoids contained in products obtained from such States is accurate; and
- (ii) that such products do not contain harmful or toxic components.
- (b) ACTIVITIES.—To the extent practicable, the Secretary of Health and Human Services, either directly or through awarding grants, contacts, or cooperative agreements, shall expand and coordinate the activities of the National Institutes of Health and other relevant Federal agencies to better determine the effects of cannabidiol and marihuana, as outlined in the report submitted under paragraphs (1) and (2) of subsection (a).

Subtitle C—GAO Study

SEC. 25201. GAO STUDY ON IMPROVING THE EFFI-CIENCY OF TRAFFIC SYSTEMS.

Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act, the Comptroller General of the United States shall carry out, and sub-

mit to Congress a report describing the results of, a study on the potential societal benefits of improving the efficiency of traffic systems.

SA 2575. Mr. CORNYN (for himself and Mr. Padilla) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 2137 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER (for Ms. SINEMA (for herself, Mr. Portman, Mr. Manchin, Mr. Cassidy, Mrs. Shaheen, Ms. Collins, Mr. Tester, Ms. Murkowski, Mr. Warner, and Mr. Romney)) to the bill H.R. 3684, to authorize funds for Federal-aid highways, highway safety programs, and transit programs, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place in division I, insert the following:

SEC. ___. AUTHORITY TO USE CORONAVIRUS RE-LIEF FUNDS FOR INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS.

- (a) In General.—Title VI of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 801 et seq.) is amended— $^{\rm ed}$
 - (1) in section 602—
- (A) in subsection (a)(1), by inserting "(except as provided in subsection (c)(4))" after "December 31, 2024": and
 - (B) in subsection (c)—
- (i) in paragraph (1), in the matter preceding subparagraph (A), by striking "paragraph (3)" and inserting "paragraphs (3) and (4)"; and
- (ii) by adding at the end the following new paragraph:
- ``(4) AUTHORITY TO USE FUNDS FOR CERTAIN INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS.—
- "(A) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subparagraph (C), notwithstanding any other provision of law, a State, territory, or Tribal government receiving a payment under this section may use funds provided under such payment for projects described in subparagraph (B), including—
- "(i) in the case of a project receiving a grant under section 117 of title 23, United States Code, section 5309 or 6701 of title 49, United States Code, or section 3005(b) of the FAST Act (49 U.S.C. 5309 note; Public Law 114-94), to satisfy a non-Federal share requirement applicable to such a project; and
- "(ii) in the case of a project receiving credit assistance under the TIFIA program under chapter 6 of title 23, United States Code—
- "(I) to satisfy a non-Federal share requirement applicable to such a project; and
- "(II) to repay a loan provided under such
- "(B) PROJECTS DESCRIBED.—A project referred to in subparagraph (A) is any of the following:
- "(i) A project that receives a grant under section 117 of title 23. United States Code.
- "(ii) A project eligible under section 119 of title 23. United States Code.
- "(iii) A project eligible under section 124 of title 23, United States Code, as added by the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act.
- "(iv) A project eligible under section 133 of title 23, United States Code.
- "(v) An activity to carry out section 134 of title 23, United States Code.
- "(vi) A project eligible under section 148 of title 23, United States Code.
- "(vii) A project eligible under section 149 of title 23, United States Code.
- "(viii) A project eligible under section 151 of title 23, United States Code, as added by the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act.
- "(ix) A project eligible under section 165 of title 23, United States Code.
- "(x) A project eligible under section 167 of title 23, United States Code.

"(xi) A project eligible under section 173 of title 23, United States Code, as added by the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act.

"(xii) A project eligible under section 175 of title 23, United States Code, as added by the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act.

"(xiii) A project eligible under section 176 of title 23, United States Code, as added by the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act. "(xii) A project eligible under section 202

"(xiv) A project eligible under section 202 of title 23, United States Code.

"(xv) A project eligible under section 203 of title 23, United States Code.

"(xvi) A project eligible under section 204 of title 23, United States Code.

"(xvii) A project that receives a grant under the program for national infrastructure investments (commonly known as the 'Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) grant program').

"(xviii) A project that receives credit assistance under the TIFIA program under chapter 6 of title 23, United States Code.

"(xix) A project that furthers the completion of a designated route of the Appalachian Development Highway System under section 14501 of title 40. United States Code.

"(xx) A project that receives a grant under section 5307 of title 49. United States Code.

"(xxi) A project that receives a grant under section 5309 of title 49, United States Code.

"(xxii) A project that receives a grant under section 5311 of title 49, United States Code.

"(xxiii) A project that receives a grant under section 5337 of title 49, United States Code

"(xxiv) A project that receives a grant under section 5339 of title 49, United States Code.

"(xxv) A project that receives a grant under section 6703 of title 49, United States Code, as added by the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act.

"(xxvi) A project that receives a grant under title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (42 U.S.C. 5301 et seq.).

"(xxvii) A project eligible under the bridge replacement, rehabilitation, preservation, protection, and construction program under paragraph (1) under the heading 'HIGHWAY INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM' under the heading 'FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION' under the heading 'DEPARTMENT OF TRANS-PORTATION' under title VIII of division J of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act.

"(C) LIMITATIONS; APPLICATION OF REQUIREMENTS.—

"(i) LIMITATION ON AMOUNTS TO BE USED FOR INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS —

"(I) IN GENERAL.—Subject to clause (ii), the total amount that a State, territory, or Tribal government may use from a payment made under this section for uses described in subparagraph (A) shall not exceed the greater of—

((aa) [\$10,000,000]; and

"(bb) [25] percent of such payment.

"(II) RULE OF APPLICATION.—The spending limitation under subclause (I) shall not apply to any use of funds permitted under paragraph (1)(D), and any such use of funds shall be disregarded for purposes of applying such spending limitation.

"(ii) WAIVER OF LIMITATION.—At the request of a State, territory, or Tribal government, the Secretary may allow the State, territory, or Tribal government to use up to 50 percent of a payment made under this section for a use described in subparagraph (A) if any of the following criteria are met (as determined by the Secretary):

"(I) The projects involved are of significant economic importance to the State, territory, or Tribal government. "(II) The projects involved would enhance employment opportunities for the State, territory, or Tribal government.

"(III) The projects involved would enhance the health and safety of the public.

"(IV) The projects involved would enhance protections for the environment.

"(V) The projects involved would enhance the capacity of the metropolitan city, State, territory, or Tribal government to respond to the COVID-19 crisis.

"(VI) The State, territory, or Tribal government suffered a reduction in revenue (as determined under the interim final rule issued by the Secretary on May 17, 2021, entitled 'Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds' (86 Fed. Reg. 26786)) of greater than 10 percent in calendar year 2020.

"(iii) LIMITATION ON OPERATING EXPENSES.— Funds provided under a payment made under this section shall not be used for operating expenses of a project described in clauses (xx) through (xxiv) of subparagraph (B).

"(iv) APPLICATION OF REQUIREMENTS.—Except as otherwise provided in this section—

"(I) the requirements of section 60102 of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act shall apply to funds provided under a payment made under this section that are used pursuant to subparagraph (A) for a project described in clause (xxvi) of subparagraph (B) that relates to broadband infrastructure:

"(II) the requirements of titles 23, 40, and 49 of the United States Code, title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (42 U.S.C. 5301 et seq.), and the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et. seq) shall apply to funds provided under a payment made under this section that are used for projects described in subparagraph (B); and

"(III) a State government receiving a payment under this section may use funds provided under such payment for projects described in clause (i) of subparagraph (B) that—

"(aa) demonstrate progress in achieving a state of good repair as required by the State's asset management plan under section 119(e) of title 23, United States Code; and

"(bb) support the achievement of 1 or more performance targets of the State established under section 150 of title 23, United States Code.

"(v) OVERSIGHT.—The Secretary may delegate oversight and administration of the requirements described in clause (iv) to the appropriate Federal agency.

"(D) AVAILABILITY.—Funds provided under a payment made under this section to a State, territory, or Tribal government shall remain available for obligation for a use described in subparagraph (A) through December 31, 2024, except that no amount of such funds may be expended after September 30, 2026."; and

(2) in subsection 603—

(A) in subsection (a), by inserting "(except as provided in subsection (c)(5))" after "December 31, 2024"; and

(B) in subsection (c)-

(i) in paragraph (1), in the matter preceding subparagraph (A), by striking "paragraphs (3) and (4)" and inserting "paragraphs (3), (4), and (5)"; and

(ii) by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

"(5) AUTHORITY TO USE FUNDS FOR CERTAIN INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS.—

"(A) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subparagraph (B), notwithstanding any other provision of law, a metropolitan city, nonentitlement unit of local government, or county receiving a payment under this section may use funds provided under such payment for projects described in subparagraph (B) of section 602(c)(4), including—

"(i) in the case of a project receiving a grant under section 117 of title 23, United States Code, section 5309 or 6701 of title 49, United States Code, or section 3005(b) of the FAST Act (49 U.S.C. 5309 note; Public Law 114-94), to satisfy a non-Federal share requirement applicable to such a project; and

"(ii) in the case of a project receiving credit assistance under the TIFIA program under chapter 6 of title 23, United States Code—

"(I) to satisfy a non-Federal share requirement applicable to such a project; and

"(II) to repay a loan provided under such program.

"(B) LIMITATIONS; APPLICATION OF REQUIRE-MENTS.—
"(i) I IMITATION ON AMOUNTS TO BE USED FOR

"(i) LIMITATION ON AMOUNTS TO BE USED FOR INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS.—

"(I) IN GENERAL.—Subject to clause (ii), the total amount that a metropolitan city, non-entitlement unit of local government, or county may use from a payment made under this section for uses described in subparagraph (A) shall not exceed the greater of—

"(aa) [\$10,000,000]; and

"(bb) [25 percent] of such payment.

"(II) RULE OF APPLICATION.—The spending limitation under subclause (I) shall not apply to any use of funds permitted under paragraph (1)(D), and any such use of funds shall be disregarded for purposes of applying such spending limitation.

"(ii) WAIVER OF LIMITATION.—At the request of a metropolitan city, nonentitlement unit of local government, or county, the Secretary may allow the metropolitan city, nonentitlement unit of local government, or county to use up to 50 percent of a payment made under this section for uses described in subparagraph (A) if any of the following criteria are met (as determined by the Secretary):

"(I) The projects involved are of significant economic importance to the metropolitan city, nonentitlement unit of local government, or county.

"(II) The projects involved would enhance employment opportunities for the metropolitan city, nonentitlement unit of local government, or county.

"(III) The projects involved would enhance the health and safety of the public.

"(IV) The projects involved would enhance protections for the environment.

"(V) The projects involved would enhance the capacity of the metropolitan city, nonentitlement unit of local government, or county to respond to the COVID-19 crisis.

"(VI) The metropolitan city, nonentitlement unit of local government, or county suffered a reduction in revenue (as determined under the interim final rule issued by the Secretary on May 17, 2021, entitled 'Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds' (86 Fed. Reg. 26786)) of greater than 10 percent in calendar year 2020.

"(iii) LIMITATION ON OPERATING EXPENSES.— Funds provided under a payment made under this section shall not be used for operating expenses of a project described in clauses (xx) through (xxiv) of section 602(c)(4)(B).

``(iv) APPLICATION OF REQUIREMENTS.—Except as otherwise provided in this section—

"(I) the requirements of section 60102 of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act shall apply to funds provided under a payment made under this section that are used pursuant to subparagraph (A) for a project described in clause (xxvi) of section 602(c)(4)(B) that relates to broadband infrastructure; and

"(II) the requirements of titles 23, 40, and 49 of the United States Code, title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (42 U.S.C. 5301 et seq.), and the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et. seq.) shall apply to funds provided under a payment made under this section

that are used for projects described in section 602(c)(4)(B).

- "(v) OVERSIGHT.—The Secretary may delegate oversight and administration of the requirements described in clause (iv) to the appropriate Federal agency.
- "(C) AVAILABILITY.—Funds provided under a payment made under this section to a metropolitan city, nonentitlement unit of local government, or county shall remain available for obligation for a use described in subparagraph (A) through December 31, 2024, except that no amount of such funds may be expended after September 30, 2026."
- (b) TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS.—Sections 602(c)(3) and 603(c)(3) of title VI of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 802(c)(3), 803(c)(3)) are each amended by striking "paragraph (17) of"
 - (c) GUIDANCE AND EFFECTIVE DATE.—
- (1) GUIDANCE OR RULE.—Within 60 days of the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Treasury, in consultation with the Secretary of Transportation, shall issue guidance or promulgate a rule to carry out this section.
- (2) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section shall take effect upon the issuance of guidance or the promulgation of a rule described in paragraph (1).
- (d) Department of the Treasury Administrative Expenses.—
- (1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the unobligated balances from amounts made available to the Secretary of the Treasury (referred to in this subsection as the "Secretary") for administrative expenses pursuant to the provisions specified in paragraph (2) shall be available to the Secretary (in addition to any other appropriations provided for such purpose) for any administrative expenses of the Department of the Treasury determined by the Secretary to be necessary to respond to the coronavirus emergency, including any expenses necessary to implement any provision of—
- (A) the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (Public Law 116–136);
- (B) division N of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021 (Public Law 116–260);
- (C) the American Rescue Plan Act (Public Law 117–2); or
- (D) title VI of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 801 et seq.).
- (2) PROVISIONS SPECIFIED.—The provisions specified in this paragraph are the following:
- (A) Sections 4003(f) and 4112(b) of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (Public Law 116-136).
- (B) Section 421(f)(2) of division N of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021 (Public Law 116–260).
- (C) Sections 3201(a)(2)(B), 3206(d)(1)(A), and 7301(b)(5) of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (Public Law 117-2).
- (D) Section 602(a)(2) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 802(a)(2)).
- SA 2576. Mr. HAWLEY (for himself, Mr. Blunt, and Mr. Cotton) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 2137 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER (for Ms. SINEMA (for herself, Mr. Portman, Mr. Manchin, Mr. Cassidy, Mrs. Shaheen, Ms. Collins, Mr. Tester, Ms. Murkowski, Mr. Warner, and Mr. Romney)) to the bill H.R. 3684, to authorize funds for Federal-aid highways, highway safety programs, and transit programs, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of division I, add the following:

- SEC. 90009. SAFETY REQUIREMENTS FOR AMPHIBIOUS PASSENGER VESSELS.
 - (a) SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS.—
- (1) BUOYANCY REQUIREMENTS.—Not later than 1 year after the date of completion of a Coast Guard contracted assessment by the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine of the technical feasibility, practicality, and safety benefits of providing reserve buoyancy through passive means on amphibious passenger vessels, the Secretary of the department in which the Coast Guard is operating may initiate a rulemaking to prescribe in regulations that operators of amphibious passenger vessels provide reserve buoyancy for such vessels through passive means, including watertight compartmentalization, built-in flotation, or such other means as the Secretary may specify in the regulations, in order to ensure that such vessels remain affoat and upright in the event of flooding, including when carrying a full complement of passengers and crew
- (2) INTERIM REQUIREMENTS.—Not later than 90 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the department in which the Coast Guard is operating shall initiate a rulemaking to implement interim safety policies or other measures to require that operators of amphibious passenger vessels operating in waters subject to the jurisdiction of the United States, as defined in section 2.38 of title 33, Code of Federal Regulations (or a successor regulation) comply with the following:
- (A) Remove the canopies of such vessels for waterborne operations, or install in such vessels a canopy that does not restrict either horizontal or vertical escape by passengers in the event of flooding or sinking.
- (B) If the canopy is removed from such vessel pursuant to subparagraph (A), require that all passengers don a Coast Guard typeapproved personal flotation device before the onset of waterborne operations of such vessel.
- (C) Install in such vessels at least one independently powered electric bilge pump that is capable of dewatering such vessels at the volume of the largest remaining penetration in order to supplement the vessel's existing bilge pump required under section 182.520 of title 46, Code of Federal Regulations (or a successor regulation).
- (D) Verify the watertight integrity of such vessel in the water at the outset of each waterborne departure of such vessel.
- (b) REGULATIONS REQUIRED.—Not later than 2 years after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the department in which the Coast Guard is operating shall initiate a rulemaking for amphibious passenger vessels operating in waters subject to the jurisdiction of the United States, as defined in section 2.38 of title 33, Code of Federal Regulations (or a successor regulation). The regulations shall include, at a minimum, the following:
- (1) SEVERE WEATHER EMERGENCY PRE-PAREDNESS.—Requirements that an operator of an amphibious passenger vessel—
- (A) check and notate in the vessel's logbook the National Weather Service forecast before getting underway and periodically while underway;
- (B) in the case of a watch or warning issued for wind speeds exceeding the wind speed equivalent used to certify the stability of an amphibious passenger vessel, proceed to the nearest harbor or safe refuge; and
- (C) maintain and monitor a weather monitor radio receiver at the operator station that may be automatically activated by the warning alarm device of the National Weather Service
 - (2) Passenger safety.—Requirements—

- (A) concerning whether personal flotation devices should be required for the duration of an amphibious passenger vessel's waterborne transit, which shall be considered and determined by the Secretary;
- (B) that operators of amphibious passenger vessels inform passengers that seat belts may not be worn during waterborne operations:
- (C) that before the commencement of waterborne operations, a crew member visually check that each passenger has unbuckled the passenger's seatbelt; and
- (D) that operators or crew maintain a log recording the actions described in subparagraphs (B) and (C).
- (3) Training.—Requirement for annual training for operators and crew of amphibious passengers vessels, including—
- (A) training for personal flotation and seat belt requirements, verifying the integrity of the vessel at the onset of each waterborne departure, identification of weather hazards, and use of National Weather Service resources prior to operation; and
- (B) training for crewmembers to respond to emergency situations, including flooding, engine compartment fires, man overboard situations, and in water emergency egress procedures.
- (4) RECOMMENDATIONS FROM REPORTS.— Requirements to address recommendations from the following reports, as practicable and to the extent that such recommendations are under the jurisdiction of the Coast Guard:
- (A) The National Transportation Safety Board's Safety Recommendation Reports on the Amphibious Passenger Vessel incidents in Table Rock, Missouri, Hot Springs, Arkansas, and Seattle, Washington.
- (B) The Coast Guard's Marine Investigation Board reports on the Stretch Duck 7 sinkings at Table Rock, Missouri, and the Miss Majestic sinking near Hot Springs, Arkansas.
- (5) Interim requirements.—The interim requirements described in subsection (a)(2), as appropriate.
- (c) PROHIBITION ON OPERATION OF NON-COMPLIANT VESSELS.—Commencing as of the date specified by the Secretary of the department in which the Coast Guard is operating pursuant to subsection (d), any amphibious passenger vessel whose configuration or operation does not comply with the requirements under subsection (a)(2) (or subsection (a)(1), if prescribed) may not operate in waters subject to the jurisdiction of the United States, as defined in section 2.38 of title 33, Code of Federal Regulations (or a successor regulation).
- (d) DEADLINE FOR COMPLIANCE.—The regulations and interim requirements described in subsections (a) and (b) shall require compliance with the requirements in the regulations not later than 2 years after the date of enactment of this Act, as the Secretary of the department in which the Coast Guard is operating may specify in the regulations.
- (e) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after the promulgation of the regulations required under subsection (a), the Commandant of the Coast Guard shall provide a report to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate and the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives regarding the status of the implementation of the requirements included in such regulations.
- SA 2577. Mr. CARDIN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 2137 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER (for Ms. SINEMA (for herself, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. MANCHIN, Mr. CASSIDY, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr.